

Sanchez, Gerry@ABC

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From: Sanchez, Gerry@ABC  
Sent: Friday, June 30, 2017 5:21 PM  
To: Griffin, Marcie@ABC  
Subject: Re: Nice to e-meet you/Hollywood Forever Cemetery --CONFIDENTIAL--INTERNAL WORK PRODUCT ---

Sorry- just have a ton on my mind - my cousin (whom I lived with for 4 years while in college has been on a comma for 2 weeks and was taken taken off live-support this morning & we're literary minute by minute - im The Godfather to his kids - my cousin is my age .....

Sorry again & thanks for your calming words

Gerry Sanchez • CA Dept. of ABC

On Jun 30, 2017, at 4:47 PM, Griffin, Marcie@ABC <[Marcie.Griffin@abc.ca.gov](mailto:Marcie.Griffin@abc.ca.gov)> wrote:

Gerry,

I understand your frustration. Forget about it for now and let's touch base first thing Monday morning so we have a game plan.

Have a great weekend.

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 30, 2017, at 10:27 AM, Sanchez, Gerry@ABC <[Gerry.Sanchez@abc.ca.gov](mailto:Gerry.Sanchez@abc.ca.gov)> wrote:

GM Marcie

This person will probably meet with us on Monday w/Baydsar.

I am incredibly frustrated right now because it seems just about every organization here in LA wants to do whatever they want under the guise of "we've always done it this way before".

The moment I try to restore some sense of order and consistency to the avalanche of events taking place seemingly everywhere, they run (usually "behind my back" if you will) to DeLeon's Office.

I believe this is the 3rd person, I that cc's my emails to DeLeon's Office when they dont get the answer they want.

I've only been here a short time, but I can clearly see what's happening:

The word is that If you don't like the answer you get from the SAC at the LA Office, just get in touch with DeLeon's office and they will get it done for you by

pressuring and/or otherwise "passively" influencing-interfering with our process and/or decision-making.

I think it's a very dangerous trend - as I'm sure It also happened on Will's watch- because it undermines our ability to be a neutral and independent agency.

I'm used to dealing with Senators/Assembly members, etc on a once in a while basis, but this is clearly different- it's almost as if DeLeon's office has become a systematic default resource & they like the "power" this gives them.

I see myself as a flexible and reasonable person, but individuals (Marisol) like her are really testing my limits -- to the point that I cant even enjoy private time with my family -- my out of office email clearly states I'm on vacation til Monday.

I'm sorry, Boss, but I just feel that my decisions are constantly questioned & that they don't really matter- as all they have to do is call their favorite Senator & they will get their way.

I don't know if the Executive Staff (you and Kathi) feel this way or not, but I really appreciate some guidance here ☺

Maybe this is the "norm" here and I simply need to swallow the bitter pill that, unlike many of the other Offices, my decisions her are subject to constant "review" by external influences ---- and it's the way it's always been....

Thanks

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Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Thomasian, Baydsar" <[Baydsar.Thomasian@sen.ca.gov](mailto:Baydsar.Thomasian@sen.ca.gov)>  
**Date:** June 30, 2017 at 9:19:31 AM PDT  
**To:** "[Gerry.Sanchez@abc.ca.gov](mailto:Gerry.Sanchez@abc.ca.gov)" <[Gerry.Sanchez@abc.ca.gov](mailto:Gerry.Sanchez@abc.ca.gov)>  
**Subject:** Fwd: Nice to e-meet you/Hollywood Forever Cemetery

She can come to our office when we meet next week

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Marisol Rodriguez  
<[marisol.rodriguez@lacity.org](mailto:marisol.rodriguez@lacity.org)>  
**Date:** June 30, 2017 at 9:05:31 AM PDT  
**To:** "Sanchez, Gerry@ABC"  
<[Gerry.Sanchez@abc.ca.gov](mailto:Gerry.Sanchez@abc.ca.gov)>  
**Cc:** "Phillips, Maggie@ABC"  
<[Maggie.Phillips@abc.ca.gov](mailto:Maggie.Phillips@abc.ca.gov)>, "Valerio,



Judy@ABC"

<Judy.Valerio@abc.ca.gov>, "Thomasian, Baydsar  
(Baydsar.Thomasian@sen.ca.gov)"

<Baydsar.Thomasian@sen.ca.gov>, Julie Nony

<32016@lapd.online>, Edwin Guerra

<38136@lapd.online>

**Subject: Re: Nice to e-meet you/Hollywood  
Forever Cemetery**

Hi Gerry,

I am following up on the below question. Can we possibly meet sometime next week to discuss? This will serve as an opportunity to discuss events, as well as have the chance to meet in person. Perhaps we can look at dates after the 4th of July?

I am adding on this email (and who would also be part of this meeting) Officer Julie Nony, who has worked with the cemetery for over a decade, Officer Guerra of our Hollywood Vice Unit and Baydsar Thomasian, District Director to Senate President pro Tem Kevin De Leon.

Please advise.

Thank you.



Marisol Rodriguez





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On Tue, Jun 27, 2017 at 6:20 PM, Marisol Rodriguez <[marisol.rodriguez@lacity.org](mailto:marisol.rodriguez@lacity.org)> wrote:  
Thanks for the information, Gerry. I understand the licensing portion, but if it is held on private property is there a law that prohibits their patrons from bringing their own alcohol in?

What if they stop selling it?





I appreciate the information.

Thanks



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Gerry@ABC <[Gerry.Sanchez@abc.ca.gov](mailto:Gerry.Sanchez@abc.ca.gov)> wrote:  
Hi Marisol,

The practice of bringing in alcohol is contrary to  
our licensing and enforcement provisions and  
should have been discontinued a very long time  
ago.

I need to start restoring order and consistency to the  
permissible and non-permissible activities at the  
events we license.

To that end, as a fair compromise, I will ONLY  
allow this on the next Event.

However, moving forward, we will condition  
EVERY event to prohibit outside alcohol from  
being brought in.

Unfortunately, Past practice in this area is not  
necessary a sound practice or sound public policy  
for our Dept as a whole - and is my biggest  
challenge at the LA Office - but it's imperative that  
we restore order and consistency to the process.

I hope you understand, Marisol.

Best regards,



**Sanchez, Gerry@ABC**

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**From:** Sanchez, Gerry@ABC  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 06, 2017 7:58 AM  
**To:** Thomasian, Baydsar  
**Subject:** Re: HOLLYWOOD FOREVER CEMETERY

I too feel that it grew in scope and participation rather quickly... but let's stick with the Agenda you have in mind and if it takes longer, so be it ☺

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On Jul 6, 2017, at 7:53 AM, Thomasian, Baydsar <[Baydsar.Thomasian@sen.ca.gov](mailto:Baydsar.Thomasian@sen.ca.gov)> wrote:

Ok I don't know what to do cause the point of this meeting was for us to meet, go over several cases I'm working on and discuss what's important for the Senator. You're the guest, I'll let you decide. :)))

On Jul 6, 2017, at 7:46 AM, Sanchez, Gerry@ABC <[Gerry.Sanchez@abc.ca.gov](mailto:Gerry.Sanchez@abc.ca.gov)> wrote:

I can't speak for Marcie, but I was hoping being done in an hour or so

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On Jul 5, 2017, at 9:28 PM, Thomasian, Baydsar  
<[Baydsar.Thomasian@sen.ca.gov](mailto:Baydsar.Thomasian@sen.ca.gov)> wrote:

This is going to be one long meeting Gerry, how much time do you and Marcie have???

On Jul 5, 2017, at 8:04 PM, Marisol Rodriguez  
<[marisol.rodriguez@lacity.org](mailto:marisol.rodriguez@lacity.org)> wrote:





Baydsar -

I know you and I talked about inviting Hollywood Forever Cemetery to our meeting. Perhaps we should have them come at 2:30 PM. That was we can have an internal discussion first?

Otherwise, we can set an entirely separate meeting?

Thanks,



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From: **Jay Boileau** <[Jay@hollywoodforever.com](mailto:Jay@hollywoodforever.com)>  
Date: Wed, Jul 5, 2017 at 5:44 PM  
Subject: HOLLYWOOD FOREVER CEMETERY  
To: "Gerry Sanchez ([gerry.sanchez@abc.ca.gov](mailto:gerry.sanchez@abc.ca.gov))" <[gerry.sanchez@abc.ca.gov](mailto:gerry.sanchez@abc.ca.gov)>  
Cc: "Eddie Guerra ([38136@lapd.online](mailto:38136@lapd.online))" <[38136@lapd.online](mailto:38136@lapd.online)>, "Ben Thompson ([39467@lapd.online](mailto:39467@lapd.online))" <[39467@lapd.online](mailto:39467@lapd.online)>, "Brian White ([38074@lapd.online](mailto:38074@lapd.online))" <[38074@lapd.online](mailto:38074@lapd.online)>, "Annabelle Eubank ([37352@lapd.online](mailto:37352@lapd.online))" <[37352@lapd.online](mailto:37352@lapd.online)>, Julie Nony <[32016@lapd.online](mailto:32016@lapd.online)>, Marisol Rodriguez <[marisol.rodriguez@lacity.org](mailto:marisol.rodriguez@lacity.org)>, Daniel Halden <[daniel.halden@lacity.org](mailto:daniel.halden@lacity.org)>

Hello Mr. Sanchez,

My name is Jay Boileau. I am the EVP and Director of the Cultural Events program at Hollywood Forever Cemetery. I would like to co-ordinate a meeting with you and representatives from our local law enforcement and our city council office this week or next, either at your offices or here at the cemetery, whichever you prefer. Please give us a few dates and times that work for you and we will organize our schedules accordingly.

Thank you,

Jay Boileau



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**From:** Sanchez, Gerry@ABC  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 06, 2017 4:06 PM  
**To:** Carr, John@ABC; Griffin, Marcie@ABC; Barnes, Kathleen@ABC  
**Cc:** Phillips, Maggie@ABC  
**Subject:** Fwd: LA Times inquiry  
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Just got this, John

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**From:** "Hamilton, Matthew" <[Matt.Hamilton@latimes.com](mailto:Matt.Hamilton@latimes.com)>  
**Date:** July 6, 2017 at 4:02:34 PM PDT  
**To:** "'[gerry.sanchez@abc.ca.gov](mailto:gerry.sanchez@abc.ca.gov)'" <[gerry.sanchez@abc.ca.gov](mailto:gerry.sanchez@abc.ca.gov)>  
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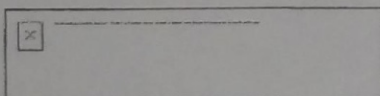
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Matt Hamilton

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To: Phillips, Maggie@ABC  
Subject: Re: New Hires

No - we'll deal with each one on its own merits

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On Jul 6, 2017, at 7:51 PM, Phillips, Maggie@ABC <[Maggie.Phillips@abc.ca.gov](mailto:Maggie.Phillips@abc.ca.gov)> wrote:

So does that mean Grand Performances can bring in outside an too?

Sent from my iPhone

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Oh man

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**Cc:** Appelsmith, Jacob@ABC  
**Subject:** RE: LA Times inquiry

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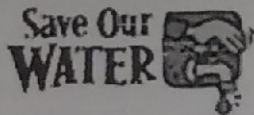
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John,  
Quick follow-up. Is the permit you are referring to related to the sale of alcohol on-site? This permit still does not allow guests to bring their own alcohol, correct?

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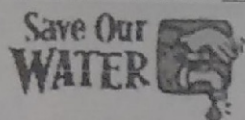
Matt, thanks for reaching out, please tell the public the following:

"ABC will issue a permit for the next event at Cinespia this Saturday and allow alcohol. ABC is in discussions with the venue about matters pertaining to public safety."

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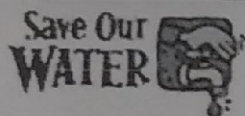


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Let me check on this Matt

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I'd say punt them to John as I think he's already spoken with them both. Can you come up around 10:40 instead of 11, in light of the conference call with the Director?

*Marcie Griffin*  
*Deputy Division Chief, Southern Division*  
*Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control*  
*562-860-4305*

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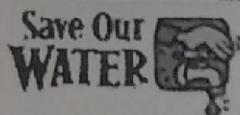
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No problem. It's all about team

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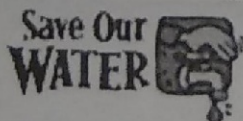
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Will do – thanks for all your help, John.

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I already called Tim, I will take care of calling Katherine. Send any inquiries to me until you have had time to talk to Marcie, the Director, the Senator, the Council Person. Things will calm down, they already have this morning

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Again, thanks for everything, John

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On Jul 7, 2017, at 4:37 PM, Carr, John@ABC <[John.Carr@abc.ca.gov](mailto:John.Carr@abc.ca.gov)> wrote:

Here is the information that was provided to the Los Angeles Times

**From:** Carr, John@ABC  
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Matthew, ABC responses are highlighted in yellow:

1. Are there any other restrictions in place regarding alcohol consumption at Cinespia?

No other restrictions that I know of, ABC just wants to make sure public safety is emphasized and the event organizers watch alcohol consumption, which ABC asks all licensees to do.

2. What prompted the initial suspension of BYOB at Cinespia?

There was never a suspension, there was one event where the public was not allowed to bring in alcohol to the venue. After discussions with the venue regarding public safety matters, ABC will continue to allow the public to bring alcohol to the venue.

3. Will patrons be allowed to bring in alcohol to all future screenings?

For the foreseeable future, yes, ABC just wants to ensure public safety is emphasized and the event organizers watch alcohol consumption

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Thanks. Three more questions:



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Thanks again. I appreciate your help on a Friday afternoon in the summer.  
Matt

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Thanks, John. That is a new development today?

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**From:** Carr, John@ABC <[John.Carr@abc.ca.gov](mailto:John.Carr@abc.ca.gov)>  
**Sent:** Friday, July 7, 2017 3:12:29 PM  
**To:** Hamilton, Matthew  
**Subject:** RE: LA Times inquiry

Matthew, ABC will issue the permit for the Saturday event at Cinespia and the public will be allowed to bring their own alcohol.

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**From:** Hamilton, Matthew [<mailto:Matt.Hamilton@latimes.com>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 06, 2017 8:33 PM  
**To:** Carr, John@ABC  
**Subject:** RE: LA Times inquiry

John,  
Quick follow-up. Is the permit you are referring to related to the sale of alcohol on-site?  
This permit still does not allow guests to bring their own alcohol, correct?

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**From:** Carr, John@ABC [<mailto:John.Carr@abc.ca.gov>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 06, 2017 4:26 PM  
**To:** Hamilton, Matthew  
**Subject:** RE: LA Times inquiry

Matt, thanks for reaching out, please tell the public the following:

"ABC will issue a permit for the next event at Cinespia this Saturday and allow alcohol.  
ABC is in discussions with the venue about matters pertaining to public safety."

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**From:** Carr, John@ABC  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 06, 2017 3:57 PM  
**To:** 'Hamilton, Matthew'  
**Subject:** RE: LA Times inquiry

Let me check on this Matt

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**From:** Hamilton, Matthew [<mailto:Matt.Hamilton@latimes.com>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 06, 2017 3:50 PM  
**To:** Carr, John@ABC  
**Subject:** LA Times inquiry

Hi John,

I'm a reporter at the Times in LA. The movie screening group Cinespia, which shows movies to patrons at the Hollywood Forever Cemetery, has said that the ABC has barred patrons from bringing in wine or beer.

Can you provide more information behind this move? Are other venues also under these restrictions? What are the specific laws broken by the prior set up at Cinespia, where patrons drank their own beverages at a private, ticketed event?

Right now I'm working under a tight deadline. I'd appreciate if you could get back to me today, if possible. Thanks for your help.

Matt Hamilton

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**Sanchez, Gerry@ABC**

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**From:** Sanchez, Gerry@ABC  
**Sent:** Saturday, July 08, 2017 7:57 AM  
**To:** Cruz, Joseph@pillsburylaw.com  
**Subject:** Re: Alcohol sales

Very true!!

Thanks, Joe - I needed this after the last few days I've had -- LOL!!

Gerry Sanchez • CA Dept. of ABC

On Jul 7, 2017, at 6:21 PM, Cruz, Joseph L. <[joseph.cruz@pillsburylaw.com](mailto:joseph.cruz@pillsburylaw.com)> wrote:

ABC has licensed the Big Rat in Anaheim. Licensed the LA Cathedral. Now the walking dead in the Hollywood Cemetery. Lol

I guest the dead are tax payers too

Have a good weekend. Joe

Sent from my iPhone

**Sanchez, Gerry@ABC**

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**From:** Sanchez, Gerry@ABC  
**Sent:** Saturday, July 08, 2017 7:58 AM  
**To:** Griffin, Marcie@ABC  
**Subject:** Fwd: Alcohol sales

Thought you'd get a laugh out of this as well ☺☺

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Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Cruz, Joseph L." <joseph.cruz@pillsburylaw.com>  
**Date:** July 7, 2017 at 6:21:22 PM PDT  
**To:** "gerry.sanchez@abc.ca.gov" <gerry.sanchez@abc.ca.gov>  
**Subject:** Alcohol sales

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Sent from my iPhone



**Eastwood, Stephanie@ABC**

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**From:** Salao, Will@ABC  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 31, 2013 3:55 PM  
**To:** Hardin, Celia@ABC  
**Cc:** Phillips, Maggie@ABC; Hoffman, Margot@ABC  
**Subject:** Re: Catering Permit request

This is an annual thing at the cemetery. You can approve it. I believe we placed conditions on last year's event. Please pull that permit and mirror the conditions for this year.

Salamat!

On Oct 31, 2013, at 3:52 PM, "Hardin, Celia@ABC" <[Celia.Hardin@ABC.ca.gov](mailto:Celia.Hardin@ABC.ca.gov)> wrote:

Boss,

Licensee turned over the attached application. Just want you to have a look at it since it is open to the public and the event is this Saturday, Nov. 2, 2013.

Thanks.

Celia

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**Eastwood, Stephanie@ABC**

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**From:** Phillips, Maggie@ABC  
**Sent:** Friday, November 01, 2013 12:17 PM  
**To:** Salao, Will@ABC  
**Subject:** Hollywood Forever Cemetery Event - 11/2

Hi,

I just got off the phone with Bricia Lopez with PBF&E, LLC regarding their event at the Hollywood Forever Cemetery on 11/2. She said this is the first time she has ever dealt with conditions. She said she is ok with most of them except two.

Conditions read:

No more than one (1) alcoholic beverage may be purchased by any one (1) person at any one time. She would like that increased to two (2).

No persons under 21 years of age will be permitted in the licensed area. She would like this condition removed as this is an all ages event.

Your thoughts?

Thank you,  
Maggie



**Eastwood, Stephanie@ABC**

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**From:** Valerio, Judy@ABC  
**Sent:** Friday, May 13, 2016 9:10 AM  
**To:** Salao, Will@ABC  
**Subject:** RE: HOLLYWOOD FOREVER - 6000 Santa Monica Blvd, LA, CA 90038

Ok, we sent it yesterday again, but still no response.....JAV

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**From:** Salao, Will@ABC  
**Sent:** Friday, May 13, 2016 8:59 AM  
**To:** Valerio, Judy@ABC  
**Subject:** Re: HOLLYWOOD FOREVER - 6000 Santa Monica Blvd, LA, CA 90038

Yes. Fax another copy to Hollywood giving them until 4 if they have an issue.

On May 13, 2016, at 08:49, Valerio, Judy@ABC <[Judy.Valerio@abc.ca.gov](mailto:Judy.Valerio@abc.ca.gov)> wrote:

Ws,

I have an one day for the above, but I still have not heard back from the PD.....shall we approve & issue....these are the ones they do pretty much all the time at the cemetary.....JAV

**Eastwood, Stephanie@ABC**

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**From:** Valerio, Judy@ABC  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 31, 2016 11:29 AM  
**To:** Salao, Will@ABC  
**Subject:** RE: Prietto catering Event - Hollywood Forever Cemetary

Will do.....JAV

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**From:** Salao, Will@ABC  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 31, 2016 11:27 AM  
**To:** Valerio, Judy@ABC  
**Subject:** Re: Prietto catering Event - Hollywood Forever Cemetary

No, we already did it once. Let them make a run for it tomorrow.

On May 31, 2016, at 11:26, Valerio, Judy@ABC <[Judy.Valerio@abc.ca.gov](mailto:Judy.Valerio@abc.ca.gov)> wrote:

Thanks dude.....I will forward to the PD again.....JAV

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**From:** Salao, Will@ABC  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 31, 2016 11:18 AM  
**To:** Valerio, Judy@ABC  
**Cc:** Phillips, Maggie@ABC  
**Subject:** Re: Prietto catering Event - Hollywood Forever Cemetary

We popped the folks at Cocktail Academy for 23300 last year. They get nothing without PD approval.

On May 31, 2016, at 11:04, Valerio, Judy@ABC <[Judy.Valerio@abc.ca.gov](mailto:Judy.Valerio@abc.ca.gov)> wrote:

WS,

Please see the enclosed, still no PD approval, we faxed it over last week.....please advise if we ca issue.....thanks....JAV

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Eastwood, Stephanie@ABC

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**From:** Valerio, Judy@ABC  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 22, 2017 4:45 PM  
**To:** Sanchez, Gerry@ABC  
**Cc:** Phillips, Maggie@ABC  
**Subject:** Hollywood Forever Cemetary

Gerry,

I meant to speak with you on this when you got in the office, but with everything so hectic, I kept forgetting. I received a call from a caterer of ours, "Bruno Inc", Mark Gallo, he asked me if I knew anything about the events taking place at the "Hollywood Forever Cemetary". I advised him we issue one day permits to the non-profit. He was approached by a representative of the cemetary to host an event that was coming up. The wanted him to do a cash bar. He asked them why they needed him to cater the event if they obtain licenses to do the events themselves. He stated they allow the people to bring in their own alcohol. So they are obtaining licenses without actually selling any alcohol. Naturally he was concerned with hosting an event where people were being allowed to bring their own alcohol in. He asked if he could be liable for anything if people over consumed or if minors were drinking on the premises? I advised him I would talk to you and get back with him. I wasn't aware that they allowed people to bring in their own alcohol. I thought they were selling the alcohol themselves. This one has the potential to become very political, so I haven't contacted anyone from the organization to verify anything. I think it may be prudent for us to at least find out how and what they are actually doing. Let me know what you think....JAV

**Eastwood, Stephanie@ABC**

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**From:** Phillips, Maggie@ABC  
**Sent:** Monday, June 26, 2017 1:35 PM  
**To:** Sanchez, Gerry@ABC  
**Subject:** FW: Beer and Wine Permit

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**From:** Phillips, Maggie@ABC  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 08, 2015 7:09 PM  
**To:** Salao, Will@ABC  
**Subject:** Re: Beer and Wine Permit

Yes, I understand. I just was not sure of the answer when Maria and Erika asked about whether or not a non profit can do a BYOB. I told them no but I would check with you

On Jul 8, 2015, at 4:59 PM, "Salao, Will@ABC" <[Will.Salao@abc.ca.gov](mailto:Will.Salao@abc.ca.gov)> wrote:

We aren't going to deny outfest.

On Jul 8, 2015, at 10:08 AM, "Phillips, Maggie@ABC" <[Maggie.Phillips@abc.ca.gov](mailto:Maggie.Phillips@abc.ca.gov)> wrote:

Hi Will,

I know you are on vacation today so don't read this until tomorrow. The front received a call and we received the below email regarding the Hollywood Forever Cemetery and BYOB. Sounds like they are telling non profits to pull the permit and then that allows people to BYOB to the event. I say no but the person who Erika spoke to said they have been doing this for a long time.

Thank you,  
Maggie

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**From:** Phillips, Maggie@ABC  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 07, 2015 4:47 PM  
**To:** 'Delarosa, Maria@ABC'  
**Subject:** FW: Beer and Wine Permit

Hi Maria,

Would you please get back to the person below regarding their event on 7/16?

Thank you,



Maggie

**From:** Rodrigues, Kathleen@ABC  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 07, 2015 4:23 PM  
**To:** Phillips, Maggie@ABC  
**Subject:** FW: Beer and Wine Permit

*Kathleen H. Rodrigues*

Administrative Assistant, II  
Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control  
3927 Lennane Drive, Suite 100  
Sacramento, CA 95834  
916.419.2510

**From:** Chris Monteath [<mailto:chris@outfest.net>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 07, 2015 2:24 PM  
**To:** Rodrigues, Kathleen@ABC  
**Subject:** Beer and Wine Permit

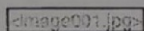
Hi! I need to obtain a permit for an event that I am holding on July 16th.

It is at the Hollywood Forever Cemetery and it is a BYOB event. What application do I need to fill out for this type of event?

If you could get back to me at your earliest convenience that would be great!  
Thank you!!

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Chris Monteath  
Production Coordinator



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**From:** Marisol Rodriguez <marisol.rodriguez@lacity.org>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 27, 2017 4:39 PM  
**To:** Sanchez, Gerry@ABC  
**Cc:** Phillips, Maggie@ABC  
**Subject:** Nice to e-meet you/Hollywood Forever Cemetery

Hi Gerry,

Nice to e-meet you. I am sorry that I have not had the pleasure yet of meeting you in person, I worked closely with Will Salao. I also met and worked with Maggie during Will's paternity leave.

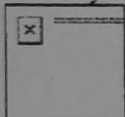
I spoke to Maggie this afternoon in reference to Hollywood Forever's Cinespia Movie Screenings. Maggie gave me your information and mentioned you are overseeing this area.

I was contacted by them and mentioned that they were told attendants to the screenings could no longer bring alcohol onto their private property. I would like to mention that Cinespia has been a great partner in working with the community and the LAPD Vice Unit and Senior Lead department. Our office is very much in support of their events, since we have not had a bad experience with any of their events. They work extremely well with our office and hire off-duty and on-duty police officers to monitor the screenings

They are in good standing with the Building and Safety Department (who issues a temporary special event), our office and the Police Department.

Any help in this matter would be appreciated.

Thank you.



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**Eastwood, Stephanie@ABC**

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**From:** Sanchez, Gerry@ABC  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 06, 2017 4:06 PM  
**To:** Carr, John@ABC; Griffin, Marcie@ABC; Barnes, Kathleen@ABC  
**Cc:** Phillips, Maggie@ABC  
**Subject:** Fwd: LA Times inquiry  
**Attachments:** image001.png

Just got this, John

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Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Hamilton, Matthew" <Matt.Hamilton@latimes.com>  
**Date:** July 6, 2017 at 4:02:34 PM PDT  
**To:** "'gerry.sanchez@abc.ca.gov'" <gerry.sanchez@abc.ca.gov>  
**Subject:** LA Times inquiry

Hi Gerry,

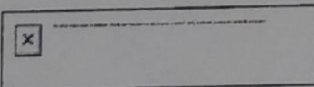
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Matt Hamilton

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Eastwood, Stephanie@ABC

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**From:** Rubio, Constance@ABC  
**Sent:** Monday, July 10, 2017 1:57 PM  
**To:** Phillips, Maggie@ABC  
**Subject:** RE: Cinespia @ Hollywood Cemetery in LA

Thank you.

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**From:** Phillips, Maggie@ABC  
**Sent:** Monday, July 10, 2017 1:47 PM  
**To:** Valerio, Judy@ABC; Rubio, Constance@ABC  
**Cc:** Sanchez, Gerry@ABC  
**Subject:** FW: Cinespia @ Hollywood Cemetery in LA

Hi Judy,

Please see the below email from Constance in OLS. The request for the information is in the attachment. It looks like the person would like information from June & July 2017.

Thanks,  
Maggie

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**From:** Rubio, Constance@ABC  
**Sent:** Monday, July 10, 2017 1:43 PM  
**To:** Phillips, Maggie@ABC  
**Subject:** Cinespia @ Hollywood Cemetery in LA

Good afternoon Maggie. Attached is an e-mail request with respect to the above matter. Could you please provide any event/daily licenses that are for this time frame? Please advise.

Sincerely,

Constance Rubio  
Legal Analyst  
Office of Legal Services  
CA Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control



**Eastwood, Stephanie@ABC**

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**From:** Sanchez, Gerry@ABC  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 22, 2017 4:51 PM  
**To:** Valerio, Judy@ABC  
**Cc:** Phillips, Maggie@ABC  
**Subject:** Re: Hollywood Forever Cemetary

Please Put them on the no caterers/one-day list.

This is unacceptable.

They will need to call me - as I'm sure they will.

Thx

Gerry Sanchez • CA Dept. of ABC

On Jun 22, 2017, at 4:44 PM, Valerio, Judy@ABC <[Judy.Valerio@abc.ca.gov](mailto:Judy.Valerio@abc.ca.gov)> wrote:

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**From:** Phillips, Maggie@ABC  
**Sent:** Friday, November 01, 2013 12:28 PM  
**To:** Salao, Will@ABC  
**Subject:** RE: Hollywood Forever Cemetery Event - 11/2

ok thank you

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**From:** Salao, Will@ABC  
**Sent:** Friday, November 01, 2013 12:25 PM  
**To:** Phillips, Maggie@ABC  
**Subject:** Re: Hollywood Forever Cemetery Event - 11/2

That's cool. LAPD will have a very big presence there.

On Nov 1, 2013, at 12:16 PM, "Phillips, Maggie@ABC" <[Maggie.Phillips@abc.ca.gov](mailto:Maggie.Phillips@abc.ca.gov)> wrote:

Hi,

I just got off the phone with Bricia Lopez with PBF&E, LLC regarding their event at the Hollywood Forever Cemetery on 11/2. She said this is the first time she has ever dealt with conditions. She said she is ok with most of them except two.

Conditions read:

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Your thoughts?

Thank you,  
Maggie



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From: Salao, Will@ABC  
Sent: Wednesday, April 15, 2015 4:02 PM  
To: Valerio, Judy@ABC  
Cc: Phillips, Maggie@ABC  
Subject: Re: Hollywood Forever Cemetery nonprofit

You can provide the name of the non-profit. I already know what's going on.

> On Apr 15, 2015, at 3:55 PM, "Valerio, Judy@ABC" <Judy.Valerio@abc.ca.gov> wrote:

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> WS,

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> I believe the below would like copies of the permits we have issued to Hollywood Forever Cemetery, she called earlier and I asked that she put what she needed in writing.....shall we comply or would you like to call them first to find out what their complaints are?

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: [REDACTED]

> Sent: Wednesday, April 15, 2015 3:44 PM

> To: Valerio, Judy@ABC

> Subject: Hollywood Forever Cemetery nonprofit

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> Hi Judy,

> There is a business in my district that has been holding special events and applying for temp liquor licenses. I would like to know the name of the non-profit to whom the proceeds are going.

> They have over 30 events per year and have been doing so for many years.

> The name of the business is Hollywood Forever Cemetery located at 6000 Santa Monica blvd Los Angeles, CA 90038

Thank you, [REDACTED]

> [REDACTED]

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Eastwood, Stephanie@ABC

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From: Sanchez, Gerry@ABC  
Sent: Thursday, July 06, 2017 8:52 PM  
To: Phillips, Maggie@ABC  
Subject: Re: New Hires

No - we'll deal with each one on its own merits

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On Jul 6, 2017, at 7:51 PM, Phillips, Maggie@ABC <[Maggie.Phillips@abc.ca.gov](mailto:Maggie.Phillips@abc.ca.gov)> wrote:

So does that mean Grand Performances can bring in outside an too?

Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 6, 2017, at 7:34 PM, Phillips, Maggie@ABC <[Maggie.Phillips@abc.ca.gov](mailto:Maggie.Phillips@abc.ca.gov)> wrote:

Oh man

Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 6, 2017, at 6:30 PM, Sanchez, Gerry@ABC <[Gerry.Sanchez@abc.ca.gov](mailto:Gerry.Sanchez@abc.ca.gov)> wrote:

I've so swamped that I forgot to ask - i will be at Div tomorrow- conf call with the Director.

My denial of outside ABs for the Cemetery has blown up - LA Times has picked up the story-- been dealing with the backlash all day.

I'm gonna have to eat s---t and walk it back - life sucks!!

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On Jul 6, 2017, at 5:38 PM, Phillips, Maggie@ABC <[Maggie.Phillips@abc.ca.gov](mailto:Maggie.Phillips@abc.ca.gov)> wrote:

Hi Gerry,

Has Southern Division said anything about Melodee training our new hires?

Thanks,  
Maggie



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**From:** Marisol Rodriguez <[marisol.rodriguez@lacity.org](mailto:marisol.rodriguez@lacity.org)>

**Sent:** Friday, June 30, 2017 9:05 AM

**To:** Sanchez, Gerry@ABC

**Cc:** Phillips, Maggie@ABC; Valerio, Judy@ABC; Thomasian, Baydsar ([Baydsar.Thomasian@sen.ca.gov](mailto:Baydsar.Thomasian@sen.ca.gov)); Julie Nony; Edwin Guerra

**Subject:** Re: Nice to e-meet you/Hollywood Forever Cemetery

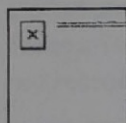
Hi Gerry,

I am following up on the below question. Can we possibly meet sometime next week to discuss? This will serve as an opportunity to discuss events, as well as have the chance to meet in person. Perhaps we can look at dates after the 4th of July?

I am adding on this email (and who would also be part of this meeting) Officer Julie Nony, who has worked with the cemetery for over a decade, Officer Guerra of our Hollywood Vice Unit and Baydsar Thomasian, District Director to Senate President pro Tem Kevin De Leon.

Please advise.

Thank you.



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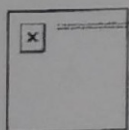
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On Tue, Jun 27, 2017 at 6:20 PM, Marisol Rodriguez <[marisol.rodriguez@lacity.org](mailto:marisol.rodriguez@lacity.org)> wrote:  
Thanks for the information, Gerry. I understand the licensing portion, but if it is held on private property is there a law that prohibits their patrons from bringing their own alcohol in?





What if they stop selling it?

I appreciate the information.

Thanks



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On Tue, Jun 27, 2017 at 5:07 PM, Sanchez, Gerry@ABC <[Gerry.Sanchez@abc.ca.gov](mailto:Gerry.Sanchez@abc.ca.gov)> wrote:  
Hi Marisol,

The practice of bringing in alcohol is contrary to our licensing and enforcement provisions and should have been discontinued a very long time ago.

I need to start restoring order and consistency to the permissible and non-permissible activities at the events we license.

To that end, as a fair compromise, I will ONLY allow this on the next Event.

However, moving forward, we will condition EVERY event to prohibit outside alcohol from being brought in.

Unfortunately, Past practice in this area is not necessary a sound practice or sound public policy for our Dept as a whole - and is my biggest challenge at the LA Office - but it's imperative that we restore order and consistency to the process.

I hope you understand, Marisol.

Best regards,

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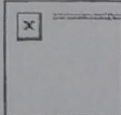


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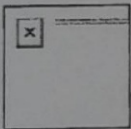
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What if they stop selling it?

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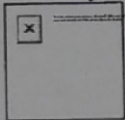
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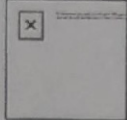
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